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This Office communication follows a petition for suspension of action under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(a), filed on January 22, 2003.

Applicants submit that suspension of action is required to provide additional time to furnish experimental data relevant to the application. The Applicants have requested a suspension of action for a period of six months.

Pursuant to applicant's request filed on January 22, 2003, action by the Office is suspended on this application under 37 CFR 1.103(a) for a period of six (6) months. At the end of this period, applicant is required to notify the examiner and request continuance of prosecution or a further suspension. See MPEP § 709.

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